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President Gerry welcomed to the first meeting in June and asked Rev. John Dowds to lead the assembled throng in Cheerio. Following which the blessing was given by Gord Rennie.

Guests for this meeting included Sherwood Park Gyro, Richard Dickensen, a guest of **Peter Carter**, David Wilson, and the guest speaker Ron Sczinski.

Birthdays to celebrate were **Dick Ogilvie** on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, and **Rev. Bill Graham** on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Dick Ogilvie reported on the health of the club by indicating that Bert Boren is in poor health and that we want to support him in any way we can. Also, Walter Yakimets is recovering well from minor surgery, although he was not able to make our meeting. Blanche Friderichsen continues to have trouble with her pacemaker and we hope the problem is resolved soon, she deserves to have some peace of mind.

Mike Matei reported that there would be about 54 participants at the Red Deer Golf tournament which our club is hosting this year. At press time the event has been held and although it was a soggy one, it was enjoyed by all. The meal was excellent and since so many golfers were in early, the club accommodated us a served earlier. We were well treated. The Crossroads Club donated the Rick Little Memorial Trophy to be presented annually for the low gross score. This year it was won by our own Mike Matei with a score of 80.

Some of our members have not had the opportunity to receive a copy of this years list of our club's events and the teams responsible for arranging the programs. Those are included with this issue of the Gyrolog. Please check for the teams of which you are a member and plan early for the program. One way we can increase the attendance

at our meetings, and perhaps increase membership by inviting guests to interesting events is to publish our programs early and often so that people can make plans to attend events that interest them.

Our guest speaker, Ron Sczinski, is the Executive Director and the Chief Operating Officer of the Alberta Securities Commission. He described the roles and responsibilities of Security Commissions which are a provincial/territorial responsibility in Canada. The Commission oversees the Alberta Stock Exchange. Since it has become self-funded it has been able to reduce its fees and still maintain a cash surplus equivalent to one years expenditure. On behalf of the appreciative audience, **Dick Ogilvie** thanked his 'old boss' and presented him with a gift.

June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1997. The team of Peter Carter, Tony Sheppard and Stewart Graham have arranged for a program that will interest many of us and our friends. Our friend Peter Carter will speak to us about the tourist trade. He will give us tips to become more informed travelers, and let us know more about tourism in Alberta.

June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1997. Our friends from Stampede City invite us to join them for their Installation. The cost is \$75.00 per couple and a fun program is planned. Last year the **Glassfords** and the **Douglases** went and can assure you that it will be a great party.

July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1997. At our regular meeting at the Mayfair, our guest speaker will be Dr. Jim Hoover discussing calendar 2000. With computers not able to recognize the year 2000 because there is only a two digit date field, there are major efforts underway to make the change to possible. Come out, bring a friend, and find out what you will need to do in order to access your money, credit, health care and all the other things that depend on a computer.

July 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> 1997. The International and District I Convention will be held in Cleveland. The details are in the Gyroscope.

August 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 1997. District VIII Convention in Nelson B.C. It will be held in a brand new hotel, the golf course is scenic and challenging, and a program filled with fun is planned.

August 20<sup>th</sup>, 1997. Barry Walker and collaborators are organizing our annual Golf Scramble. It will be held at Westridge Golf Club with a BBQ afterwards at the Van Dusen's. Details will follow, mark your calendar now!

Late breaking news about other results from the Red Deer Golf Tournament are: Other winners were:

Longest Drive - Brian Leeson, Longest Putt Bernie Kropp, closest to the pin, Allan Warrack. In the two man best ball event we had two winners, for 18 holes, Ed Edlund, and for 9 holes, Gerry Glassford.

The I wish I had said that department. "I believe we are on an irreversible trend toward more freedom and democracy. But that could change". Dan Quayle.